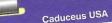


The internal warfare plaguing the people of this country for over a decade has finally come to an end. However, they continue to struggle with attacks by guerilla militants, land mines, and refugees en masse. Still, the country is slowly walking down the path toward peace.

Other countries have begun sending aid to Costigar, helping to establish medical institutions. But, the number of doctors needed to staff those facilities has been hopelessly insufficient ...

Now... A young doctor has come to Zakara, one of the many refugee camps. In these harsh lands that are ill equipped for providing medical care, he will cross paths with a legendary doctor who fought and overcame a disease that once threatened the world ...



Since ending the threat posed by a virus called GUILT three years ago, Derek has become a world renowned doctor. He is dedicated to his employer, Caduceus, and his job: saving patients. During surgery he is intense and collected, not one to crack under pressure, or to ever give up.



**Derek Stiles** Surgeon Age: 29



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Caduceus USA

Derek's surgical assistant. She would follow Derek to the end of the earth, as she is both his anchor and his foil. Though she is well-aware of his surgical prowess, she also finds herself keeping him in line with his medical responsibilities.



**Angle Thompson** Nurse Age: 24

